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To VIKTOR. [1]

ZAYATs [ii] advises that at the end of April SFORZA [iii] asked the BANK's [iv] permission to return to the COUNTRY [STRANA] [v], where, in his opinion, he would be more useful in popularizing Italy. LUN' [vi] recom- *advised* mended him to remain in Italy.

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MAJ [vii]

*See below  
for complete  
message*

Comments:

- [1] VIKTOR: Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.
- [ii] ZAYATs: i.e. "HARE" or "STONEWAY," Maurice HALPERIN.
- [iii] SFORZA: Count Carlo SFORZA, became a member of the new Italian Government in April, 1944.
- [iv] BANK: U.S. State Department.
- [v] COUNTRY: United States of America.
- [vi] LUN': i.e. "HEN HARRIER" or "RING-TAIL," Cordell HULL.
- [vii] MAJ: i.e. "MAY," Stepan Zakharovich APRESYAN, Soviet Vice-Consul in NEW YORK.

1 November 1968

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